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TAGS: ETRD, EEC
SUBJECT: STEEL COST OF PRODUCTION DATA

REF: PARIS 18072

1. IN RECENT DISCUSSION WITH EC COMMISSIONER DAVIGNON.S
CHEF DE CABINET, HUGO PAEMEN, MISSION OFFICER MENTIONED
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THAT WE HAD HEARD FROM OUR EMBASSY IN PARIS THAT THERE
HAD BEEN SOME DIFFICULTY RECENTLY IN OBTAINING COST OF
PRODUCTION DATA FROM FRENCH STEEL FIRMS IN CONNECTION
WITH ANTI-DUMPING INVESTIGATION INVOLVING THOSE FIRMS.
OFFICER RECALLED THAT SUBJECT OF COP INFORMATION HAD COME
UP IN RECENT US-EC CONSULTATIONS AND THAT IN AN EXCHANGE
ON THE SUBJECT, DAVIGNON HAD STATED THAT IF WE WISH TO

OBTAIN DATA ON COST OF STEEL PRODUCTION WE SHOULD APPROACH THE COMMISSION. OFFICER CONTINUED THAT WE HAD INTERPRETED THIS TO APPLY TO GENERAL COP INQUIRES RATHER THAN INVESTIGATIONS OF SPECIFIC ANTI-DUMPING CASES, AND ASKED IF THIS WERE ALSO EC SIDE'S INTERPRETATION.

2. PAEMEN IMPLIED THAT IT WAS NOT. HE INDICATED THAT AT THE CONSULTATIONS, THE QUESTION HAD COME IN THE CONTEXT OF SPECIFIC INVESTIGATION OF CASES WHICH WERE PENDING AT THE TIME THE US TRIGGER PRICE SYSTEM WAS INTRODUCED. HE SAID THAT IT WAS DAVIGNON.S INTENTION THAT IN THESE CASES THE COMMISSION SHOULD BE APPROACHED RATHER THAN THE INDIVIDUAL FIRMS IN ORDER TO PRESERVE THE INTEGRITY OF THE COMMISSION.S POSITION WITH RESPECT TO THE INITIAL COMMITMENTS SECTION OF THE DRAFT RESOLUTION.

3. FOLLOWING RETURN TO OFFICE, PAEMEN CALLED TO SAY HE HAD DOUBLE CHECKED WITH DAVIGNON WHO HAD CONFIRMED THAT PAEMEN HAD GIVEN EXACTLY THE RIGHT INTERPRETATION TO HIS REMARKS ON THE SUBJECT AT THE CONSULTATIONS.

4. COMMENT: THOUGH THIS INTERPRETATION DID NOT COME THROUGH CLEARLY DURING THE CONSULTATIONS, IT SEEMS TO EXPLAIN BOTH THE ATTITUDE ENCOUNTERED BY EMBASSY PARIS AND DAVIGNON.S REPORTED RECOMMENDATION TO FRENCH COMPANIES REPORTED IN REFTEL. HINTON
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